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SUBJECT: MANLEY CONCEDES DEFEAT
1. PRIME MINISTER MICHAEL MANLEY CONCEDED DEFEAT ON OCTOBER 31 SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT OF ELECTION DAY. THE STATEMENT WHICH WAS BROADCAST ON RADIO FOLLOWS:
2. BEGIN QUOTE:
THE PEOPLE HAVE VOTED. THEY HAVE TAKEN A DECISION AND WE NATURALLY ACCEPT THAT DECISION.
THE COUNTRY HAS BEEN THROUGH VERY GREAT ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES AND THESE HAVE OBVIOUSLY BEEN A DECISIVE FACTOR IN THE OUTCOME. OF COURSE, THESE DIFFICULTIES WILL NOT JUST GO AWAY, BUT WE REMAIN COMMITTED TO THE SERVICE OF THE PEOPLE AND VERY MUCH HOPE THAT THE CONDITIONS FOR UNITY WILL BE PURSUED.
I SPECIALLY HOPE THAT THERE WILL NOT BE A POLICY OF VINDICTIVENESS WHICH I THINK MIGHT BE DISASTROUS FOR JAMAICA AT THIS TIME.
I ALREADY NOTE WITH CONCERN THAT ALLEGATIONS HAVE

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BEEN LEVELLED THAT THE VICTORY OF THE JLP WAS WON IN THE FACE OF TERRORISM. THIS, OF COURSE, IS NOT TRUE BECAUSE THE TERRORISM WAS OVERWHELMINGLY TAKEN AGAINST THE PNP.
BUT BE THAT AS IT MAY, THE COUNTRY NEEDS PEACE AND WE ALL MUST WORK FOR THAT NOW.
ACTUALLY, WE WILL EXAMINE THE RESULTS VERY CLOSELY; BUT, IN THE MEANTIME, WE WISH THE COUNTRY AND ALL ITS PEOPLE WELL, I SPECIALLY THANK THE MORE THAN 500,000 PEOPLE WHO VOTED FOR THE PNP AND ALL THE THOUSANDS WHO WORKED FOR US WITH LOYALTY AND DEVOTION.
END QUCTE.
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